

Tárgytematika / Course Description

Regional Economics

KGNM_RKTA016

Tárgyfelelős neve /

Teacher's name: Hajdu-Smahó Melinda

Félév / Semester: 2020/21/2

Beszámolási forma /

Assesment: Vizsga

Tárgy heti óraszám /

Teaching hours(week): 2/2/0

Tárgy féléves óraszám /

Teaching hours(sem.): 0/0/0

OKTATÁS CÉLJA / AIM OF THE COURSE

Learning objectives

At the end of the course, students should be able to demonstrate, analyse and evaluate the current economic and social processes in spatial dimension. They should be able to discuss regional economic development issues and elaborate solutions in concrete cases. During the course, particular attention will be paid to the learning and using of the required terminology.

TANTÁRGY TARTALMA / DESCRIPTION

Topics

1. Space – an exciting challenge for economics?
2. Exploring the world of regions.
3. How to choose a good business location?
4. Transportation costs, hierarchy and city networks
5. Future trends in transportation and location choice
6. Why do economic activities tend to concentrate?
7. Urbanisation and cities I.

8. Urbanisation and cities II.
9. Regional (im)mobility of production factors – labour, capital
10. Spatial aspects of knowledge and innovation
11. Poor regions, rich regions – convergence or divergence?
12. Keys to regional development.
13. Presentations/Secrets of well developed regions.
14. Presentations/Future directions and tendencies of regional development.

SZÁMONKÉRÉSI ÉS ÉRTÉKELÉSI RENDSZERE / ASSESMENT'S METHOD

Requirements and grading policy

Signature and oral examination in the exam period. Prerequisite for signature: attending lectures, class participation, assignment. Grading policy: assignment (40%), oral examination (60%). It is possible to get offered exam grade during the semester.

KÖTELEZŐ IRODALOM / OBLIGATORY MATERIAL

Reading

Required literature:

Slides of the lectures (available in Moodle)

Other teaching materials (e.g. articles, videos), available in Moodle

Roberta Capello (2007): Regional Economics. Routledge, New York

Recommended literature:

Glaeser, E.-Kourtit, K.-Nijkamp, P. (2020): Urban Empires (The Metropolis and Modern Life) 1st Edition. Routledge, New York, 2021

Parag Khanna (2016): Connectography. Mapping the Future of Global Civilization. Random House, New York.

Camagni, Roberto - Capello, Roberta (2013): Regional Competitiveness and Territorial Capital: A Conceptual Approach and Empirical Evidence from the European Union. Regional Studies, 2013, 47, 9, pp. 1383-1402.

Rodrigue, Jean -Paul: The Geography of Transport Systems. https://transportgeography.org/?page_id=58

Riggs, William (ed)(2019): Disruptive Transport. Driverless Cars, Transport Innovation and the Sustainable City of Tomorrow. Routledge, London and New York.

Hoover, Edgar M. - Giarratani, Frank (2020): An Introduction to Regional Economics. Web Book of Regional Science. Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University. Edited by Scott Loveridge, 1999: Randall Jackson, 2020.

Haggett, Peter (2001): Geography. A Global Synthesis. Pearson College Div; 4th edition.

Armstrong, Martin - Taylor, Jim (2000): Regional Economics and Policy. Wiley, 2000.

Smahó, Melinda (2018): Knowledge and Confidence in Győr Automotive Industrial District. Conference Paper, Regional Studies Association Annual Conference, Lugano, 03-06.06.2018

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Lengyel, Imre (2016): Competitive and uncompetitive regions in transition economies: the case of the Visegrad post-socialist countries.

Csizmadia, Zoltán – Dusek, Tamás (eds)(2014): The Győr Automotive District. Universitas–Győr Nonprofit Ltd., Győr

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Somlyódyne Pfeil, Edit (ed)(2014): Industrial Districts and Cities in Central Europe. Universitas–Győr Nonprofit Ltd., Győr.

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Rechnitzer, János – Smahó, Melinda (eds.)(2012): Vehicle Industry and Competitiveness of Regions in Central and Eastern Europe. Széchenyi István University, Universitas–Győr Nonprofit Ltd., Győr,
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